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ROBIN...ROBIN! SPEAK TO ME... WHICH ONE OF THESE EMPTY SUITS OF ARMOR STRUCK YOU DOWN?
Featuring "ATTACK of the INVISIBLE KNIGHTS!"

SUPERBOY in "HAPPY HOBBY TIME!"

GOSH, IT'S SWELL OF SUPERBOY, LETTING US USE HIS WORKSHOP ONCE A WEEK.
WHAT'S THE MATTER, FRANK? AREN'T YOU GOING TO JOIN THE REST OF US?
SUPERBOY'S WORKSHOP
AW, I'M NO GOOD AT THAT STUFF.
HOLD ON! WHO SAID YOU HAVE TO BE GOOD AT IT? COME ON, FRANK, LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE HOBBIES INSIDE!
WE'VE GOT A BIG SELECTION, AS YOU CAN SEE-- VARIOUS ARTS AND CRAFTS, MODEL CARS AND PLANES... YOU CAN TRY YOUR HAND AT ANY ONE THAT APPEALS TO YOU!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A CREATIVE "GENIUS" TO ENJOY CREATIVE ART. FEW PEOPLE ARE. BUT YOU CAN HAVE A LOT OF FUN, EVEN IF WHAT YOU DO IS NOT PERFECT.
LATER...
SAY, THIS IS FUN! AND IN CASE YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS IS, IT'S A BASEBALL PLAYER AT BAT!
'ATTABOY, FRANK, YOU'VE GOT THE IDEA...
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT YOU DO-- OR HOW WELL YOU DO IT-- WHETHER IT'S MAKING A MODEL PLANE OR MAKING A BELT. IT'S A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE AND IT'LL DEVELOP A WAY OF EXPRESSING YOURSELF THAT WILL ADD UP TO HAPPY LEISURE HOURS ALL YOUR LIFE LONG!

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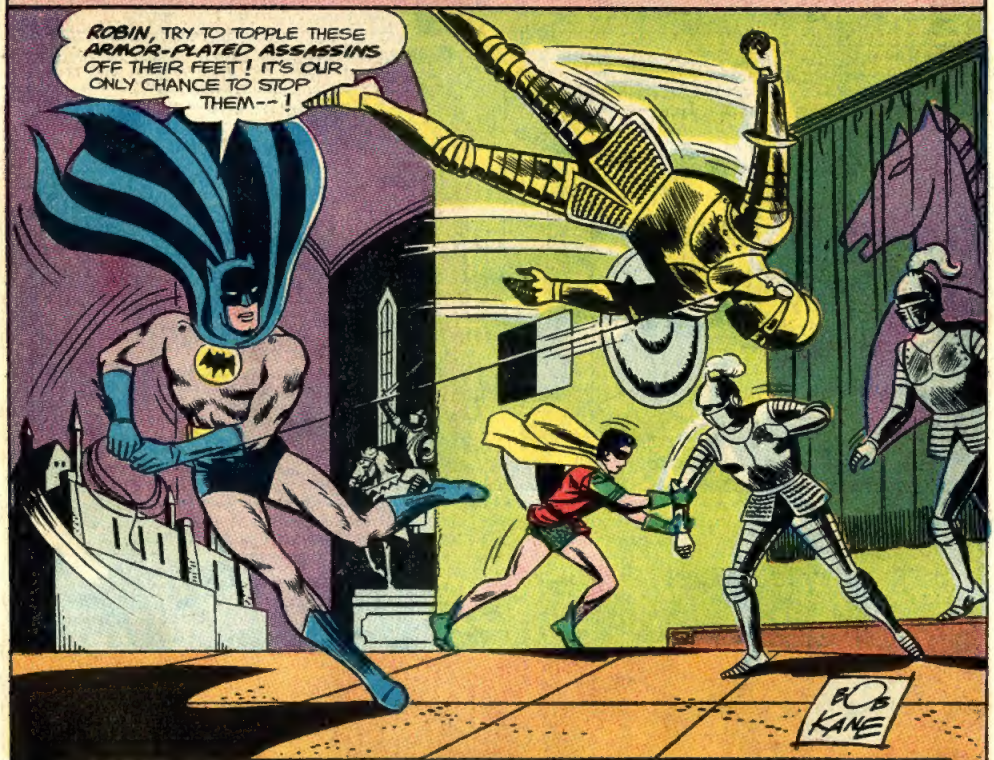
With ROBIN THE BOY WONDER

IN GOTHAM CITY MUSEUM A COLLECTION OF EIGHT-HUNDRED-YEAR OLD **BLACK OPALS** WAS ON DISPLAY--BUT THE FABULOUS GEMS WERE THREATENED BY THREE SUITS OF EIGHT-HUNDRED-YEAR-OLD **ARMOR!** WHEN **BATMAN** AND **ROBIN** DISCOVERED THAT THERE WAS **NO ONE** INSIDE THE **MOVING ARMOR,** THE INTREPID TEAM OF CRIME-FIGHTERS KNEW THAT THEY WERE UP AGAINST A BIZARRE AND BAFFLING **MENACE** IN THE ...

ATTACK OF THE INVISIBLE KNIGHTS!



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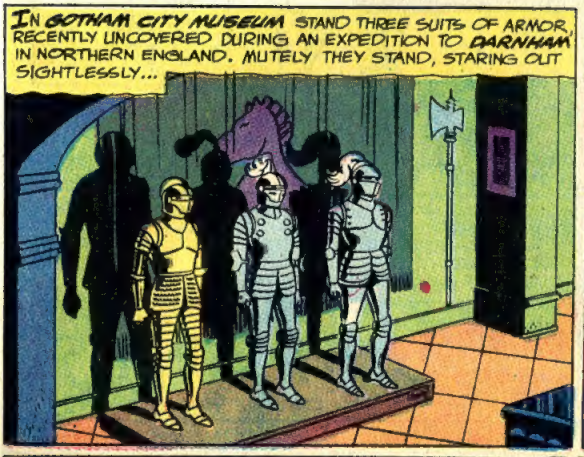
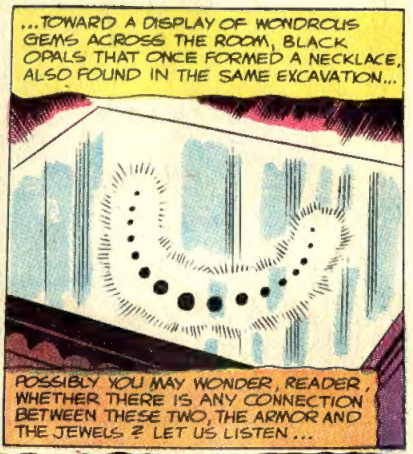
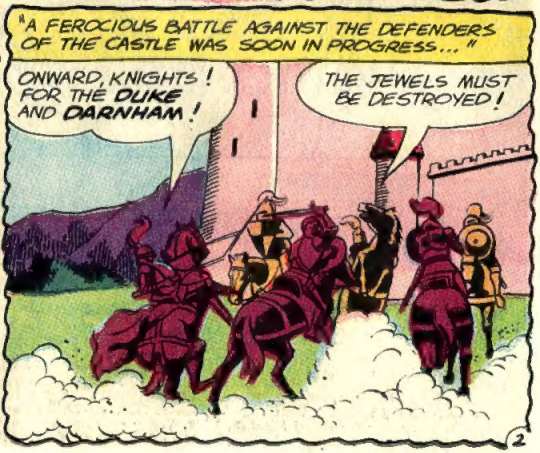

IN GOTHAM CITY MUSEUM STAND THREE SUITS OF ARMOR, RECENTLY UNCOVERED DURING AN EXPEDITION TO DARNHAM IN NORTHERN ENGLAND. MUTELY THEY STAND, STARING OUT SIGHTLESSLY...


...TOWARD A DISPLAY OF WONDROUS GEMS ACROSS THE ROOM, BLACK OPALS THAT ONCE FORMED A NECKLACE, ALSO FOUND IN THE SAME EXCAVATION...
POSSIBLY YOU MAY WONDER, READER, WHETHER THERE IS ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN THESE TWO, THE ARMOR AND THE JEWELS? LET US LISTEN...

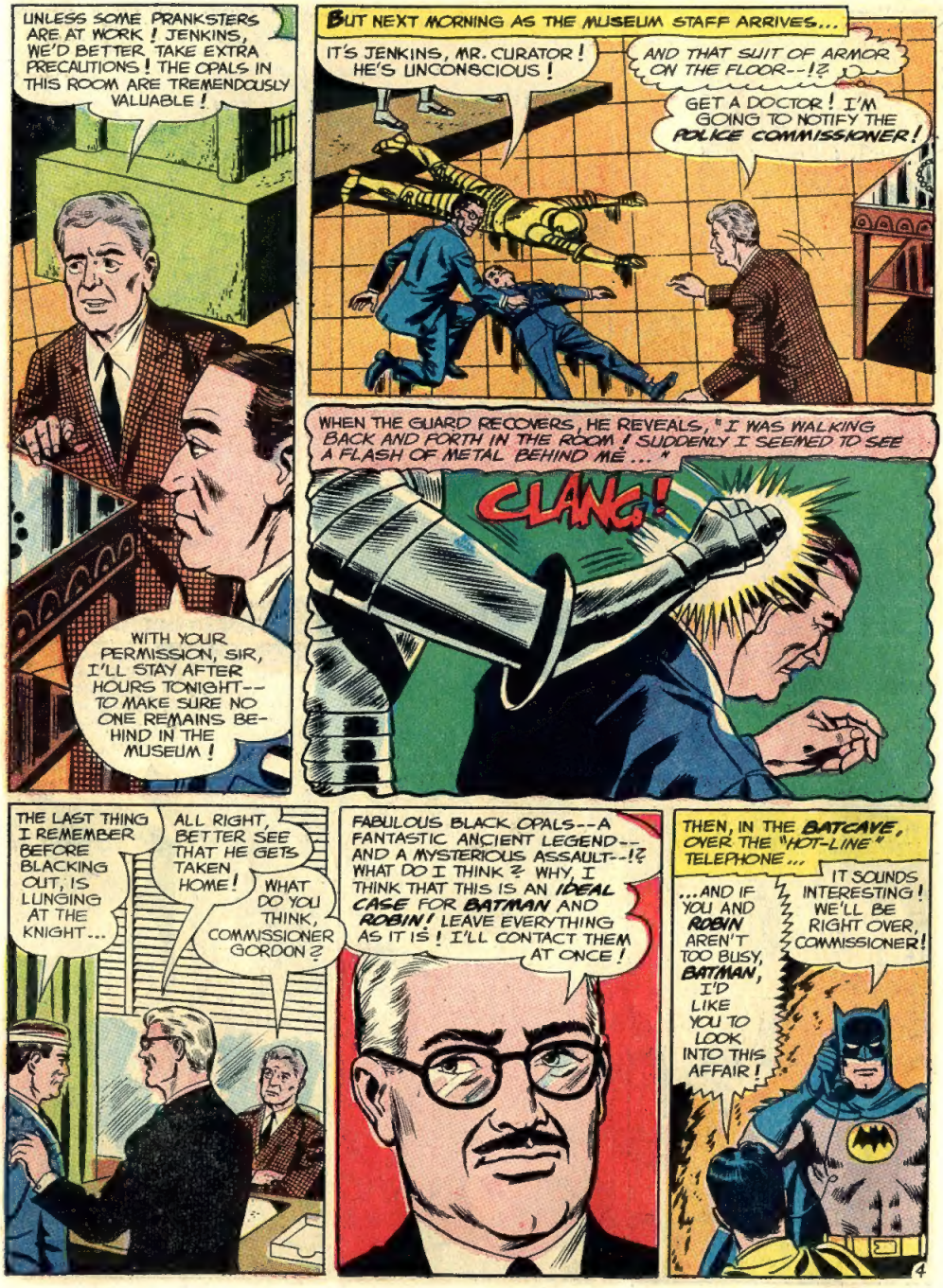
...TO THE MUSEUM GUARD, WHO DOUBLES AS A GUIDE, AND WHO IS EASILY PREVAILED UPON TO TELL A CERTAIN TALE TO VISITORS...
...AND DR. HARRIS, THE ARCHEOLOGIST WHO LED THE EXPEDITION, CAME ACROSS AN EXTRA-ORDINARY LEGEND IN AN ANCIENT BOOK THAT FITS THE ARMOR--AND THE JEWELS! IT CONCERNS THE FIRST DUKE OF DURNHAM...

"ONE DAY THIS DUKE GAVE HIS THREE MOST TRUSTED KNIGHTS A MISSION"...
THE SOOTHSAYER HAS PROPHESIED THAT UNLESS THE BLACK OPALS OF EALING ARE DESTROYED, MY FAMILY WILL BE FOREVER CURSED! I CHARGE YE--GO TO EALING AND DESTROY THE JEWELS!

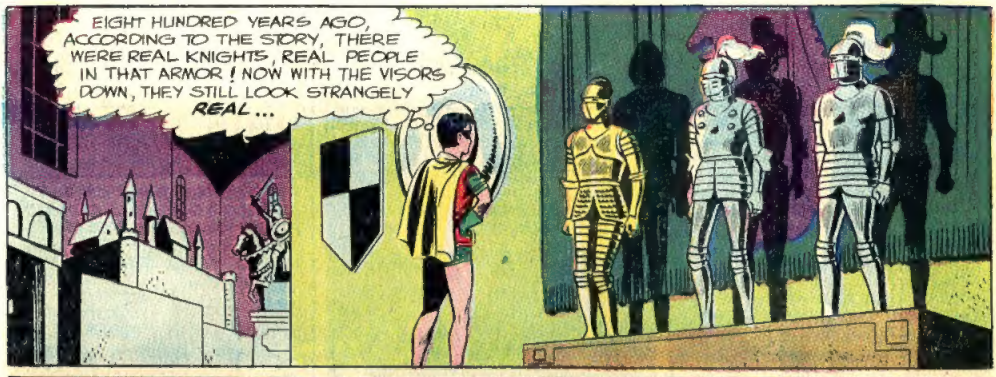
"THE KNIGHTS WERE INTENSELY LOYAL TO THEIR LORD! THEY TRAVELED NIGHT AND DAY, AND FINALLY..."
EALING CASTLE!
COME--THE JEWELS ARE SAID TO BE IN THE STRONGBOX OF THE BARON OF EALING!

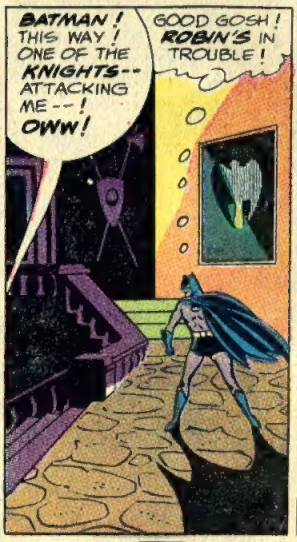

"A FEROCIOUS BATTLE AGAINST THE DEFENDERS OF THE CASTLE WAS SOON IN PROGRESS..."
ONWARD, KNIGHTS! FOR THE DUKE AND DARNHAM!
THE JEWELS MUST BE DESTROYED!

"THEN, JUST WHEN VICTORY SEEMED IN THE GRASP OF THE VALIANT TRIO..."
RUMBLE!
THE JEWELS! THE JEWELS!
THE ENTIRE CASTLE IS TOPPLING!
"EIGHT HUNDRED YEARS LATER WHEN THE THREE KNIGHTS WERE UNEARTHED, THEIR ARMORED HANDS WERE ALL STRETCHED OUT IN THE SAME DIRECTION..."
IT'S AS IF THE KNIGHTS WHO WORE THE ARMOR WERE STRAINING TO REACH SOMETHING! WE'LL DIG IN THAT DIRECTION!
"AND SO IT WAS THAT DR. HARRIS FOUND THE JEWELS..."
THE BLACK OPALS OF EALING! INCREDIBLE! IT JIBES PERFECTLY WITH THE OLD LEGEND--THE ONE IN THE ANCIENT BOOK!
AS THE IMPRESSED VISITORS FILE OUT OF THE ROOM...
GUESS THE MUSEUM SET THEM UP THAT WAY ON PURPOSE!
ERRR! IT'S ENOUGH TO MAKE A BODY SHIVER--THE WAY THAT ARMOR IS STILL FACING THE JEWELS--!
LATER, WHAT WOULD STARTLE THE PUBLIC EVEN MORE...
YOU SAY IT'S HAPPENED AGAIN, JENKINS?
YES, MR. CURATOR! THIS IS THE THIRD MORNING THIS WEEK THAT I'VE NOTICED A CHANGE IN THE OVERNIGHT POSITION OF THE ARMOR!
LAST NIGHT THIS ONE'S LEFT LEG WAS FORWARD--NOW IT'S THE RIGHT ONE!
BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! THE ARMOR CAN'T MOVE BY ITSELF--AND WHO WOULD TOUCH IT?


UNLESS SOME PRANKSTERS ARE AT WORK! JENKINS, WE'D BETTER TAKE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS! THE OPALS IN THIS ROOM ARE TREMENDOUSLY VALUABLE!
WITH YOUR PERMISSION, SIR, I'LL STAY AFTER HOURS TONIGHT--TO MAKE SURE NO ONE REMAINS BEHIND IN THE MUSEUM!
BUT NEXT MORNING AS THE MUSEUM STAFF ARRIVES...
IT'S JENKINS, MR. CURATOR! HE'S UNCONSCIOUS!
AND THAT SUIT OF ARMOR ON THE FLOOR--!?
GET A DOCTOR! I'M GOING TO NOTIFY THE POLICE COMMISSIONER!
WHEN THE GUARD RECOVERS, HE REVEALS, "I WAS WALKING BACK AND FORTH IN THE ROOM! SUDDENLY I SEEMED TO SEE A FLASH OF METAL BEHIND ME..."
CLANG!
THE LAST THING I REMEMBER BEFORE BLACKING OUT, IS LUNGING AT THE KNIGHT...
ALL RIGHT, BETTER SEE THAT HE GETS TAKEN HOME!
WHAT DO YOU THINK, COMMISSIONER GORDON?
FABULOUS BLACK OPALS--A FANTASTIC ANCIENT LEGEND--AND A MYSTERIOUS ASSAULT--!? WHAT DO I THINK? WHY, I THINK THAT THIS IS AN IDEAL CASE FOR BATMAN AND ROBIN! LEAVE EVERYTHING AS IT IS! I'LL CONTACT THEM AT ONCE!
THEN, IN THE BATCAVE, OVER THE "HOT-LINE" TELEPHONE...
...AND IF YOU AND ROBIN AREN'T TOO BUSY, BATMAN, I'D LIKE YOU TO LOOK INTO THIS AFFAIR!
IT SOUNDS INTERESTING! WE'LL BE RIGHT OVER, COMMISSIONER!

SOON... AFTER THE POLICE HEAD HAS FULLY BRIEFED THE FAMED SLEUTH TEAM...
...AND WE HAVE NO CLUES! THE MUSEUM IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE SAFETY OF ITS OPALS -- NATURALLY! BUT IT'S NOT EVEN SURE THE JEWELS ARE IN DANGER! SO THEY'LL REMAIN WHERE THEY ARE--AT LEAST UNTIL YOU TWO HAVE A LOOK AT THE PLACE!
FROM WHAT YOU'VE TOLD US, COMMISSIONER, THE STRANGE OCCURRENCES HAVE ALL TAKEN PLACE AT NIGHT! SO SUPPOSING ROBIN AND I SPEND THIS NIGHT INSIDE THE MUSEUM-- TO SEE WHAT WE CAN SEE!
LATER THAT DAY, THE BAT-MOBILE GLIDES THROUGH THE CITY'S STREETS...
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THAT ANCIENT LEGEND, BATMAN? THOSE KNIGHTS OF OLD WERE GIVEN A MISSION TO DESTROY THE JEWELS, AND NOW...
AND NOW IT ALMOST SEEMS...
...AS IF THEY'RE STILL TRYING, eh, ROBIN? BUT THIS IS THE AGE OF SCIENCE, NOT SUPERSTITION! IF THAT ARMOR IS MOVING, WE KNOW SOMEONE IS MOVING IT...
YEAH! THAT'S FOR SURE! THERE'S THE MUSEUM...
HOURS LATER, WHEN THE LAST EMPLOYEE HAS LEFT THE GREAT BUILDING...
WE'RE ALONE NOW, ROBIN-- WITH THESE "KNIGHTS"...
AND THESE BLACK OPALS!
Whew! THEY ARE BEAUTIFUL!
HERE'S THE SETUP, ROBIN! ONE OF US WILL REMAIN IN THIS WING AT ALL TIMES THROUGH THE NIGHT! RIGHT NOW I WANT TO HAVE A LOOK AROUND, SO YOU STAY PUT HERE...
CHECK! THE ALERT IS ON!


EIGHT HUNDRED YEARS AGO, ACCORDING TO THE STORY, THERE WERE REAL KNIGHTS, REAL PEOPLE IN THAT ARMOR! NOW WITH THE VISORS DOWN, THEY STILL LOOK STRANGELY REAL...



IN INSTANTS THE COWLED CRUSADER IS AT THE SIDE OF HIS YOUNG PROTÉGÉ...
QUICK, ROBIN! TELL ME--WHICH ONE STRUCK YOU DOWN?
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LET SEE FOR THE LAST TIME OF YOUR LIFE WHO YOU FIND OUT WHO THIS INTRUDER REALLY IS?
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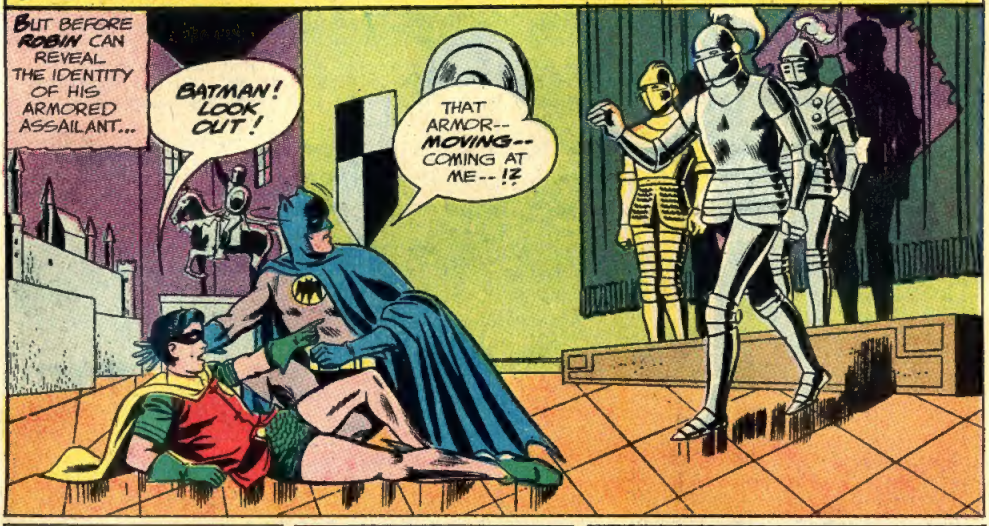

WITH STUNNING SWIFTNESS THE GLEAMING PHANTOM AIMS A LETHAL KICK...
Whew! IF THAT METALLIC FOOT HAD HIT ME--! BUT WHILE THE THING'S OFF BALANCE--

WITH RAPID MOTION, THE MASKED MANHUNTER GRABS THE KNIGHT'S UP-RAISED FOOT...
BY YANKING IT UPWARD-- I'LL SEND IT TUMBLING DOWNWARD--

BUT WHEN THE VISOR IS LIFTED...
IF THERE'S ANYONE IN HERE--HE'S INVISIBLE!
EITHER THAT--OR-- eh? THE OTHER TWO KNIGHTS-- STIRRING INTO MOTION!

A STRANGE, GRIM BATTLE ENVELOPS THE DAUNTLESS DUO...
CAREFUL, ROBIN! IF ONE OF THEM HITS YOU--
HE'S TELLING ME! I STILL FEEL THE EFFECTS OF THAT FIRST SURPRISE ATTACK! BUT THIS TIME I'M PREPARED...
BUT DESPITE ALL OF THE BOY WONDER'S EFFORTS...
UHHH!
THAT KNIGHT KNOCKED OUT ROBIN!
GETTING NOWHERE USING MY FISTS ON THESE ARMOR-PLATED ATTACKERS!
CLANG!
OUT OF BATMAN'S UTILITY BELT KIT COMES HIS SILKEN ROPE AND...
MANAGED TO LOOP THE BATROPE AROUND THAT KNIGHT--- SWINGING HIM---
BOY! IF THERE WERE A HEAD IN THERE, IT'D SURE HAVE A HEADACHE AFTER THAT!
CLAAANG!
BUT AS THE MIGHTY MANHUNTER PUTS ONE OF HIS UNCANNY FOES OUT OF ACTION, ANOTHER COMES TO LIFE!
TRIPPING ME-- UHH!
CLUNK!
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Johnny gets his own MUNSTER KOACH!

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WHAT A WILD CAR! JUST LIKE THE MUNSTER KOACH ON THE MUNSTERS SHOW!

IT'S AN EXACT SCALE MODEL FROM AMT, JOHNNY, EVEN TO THE SIDE CURTAINS, COFFIN HANDLES AND BULB HORN.

DIG THAT COOL COBRA ENGINE, THOSE EXHAUST HEADERS, AND TEN WILD CARBURETORS.

GOSH, EVEN A CHROME CRANK.

...SEE THOSE JAZZY LANTERNS AND THAT CRAZY JUMP SEAT WITH THE LATTICE TRIM. IT'S THE GREATEST, JOHNNY.

BACK HOME, JOHNNY BUILDS HIS OWN MUNSTER KOACH.

WHAT A BALL, MEETING THE MUNSTERS. HERMAN'S RIGHT. IT'S FUN TO BUILD AMT'S KOACH WITH THIS EASY-TO-FOLLOW INSTRUCTION SHEET. THE KIT EVEN INCLUDES BRUSH, PAINT, GLUE AND FULL-COLOR DECALS.

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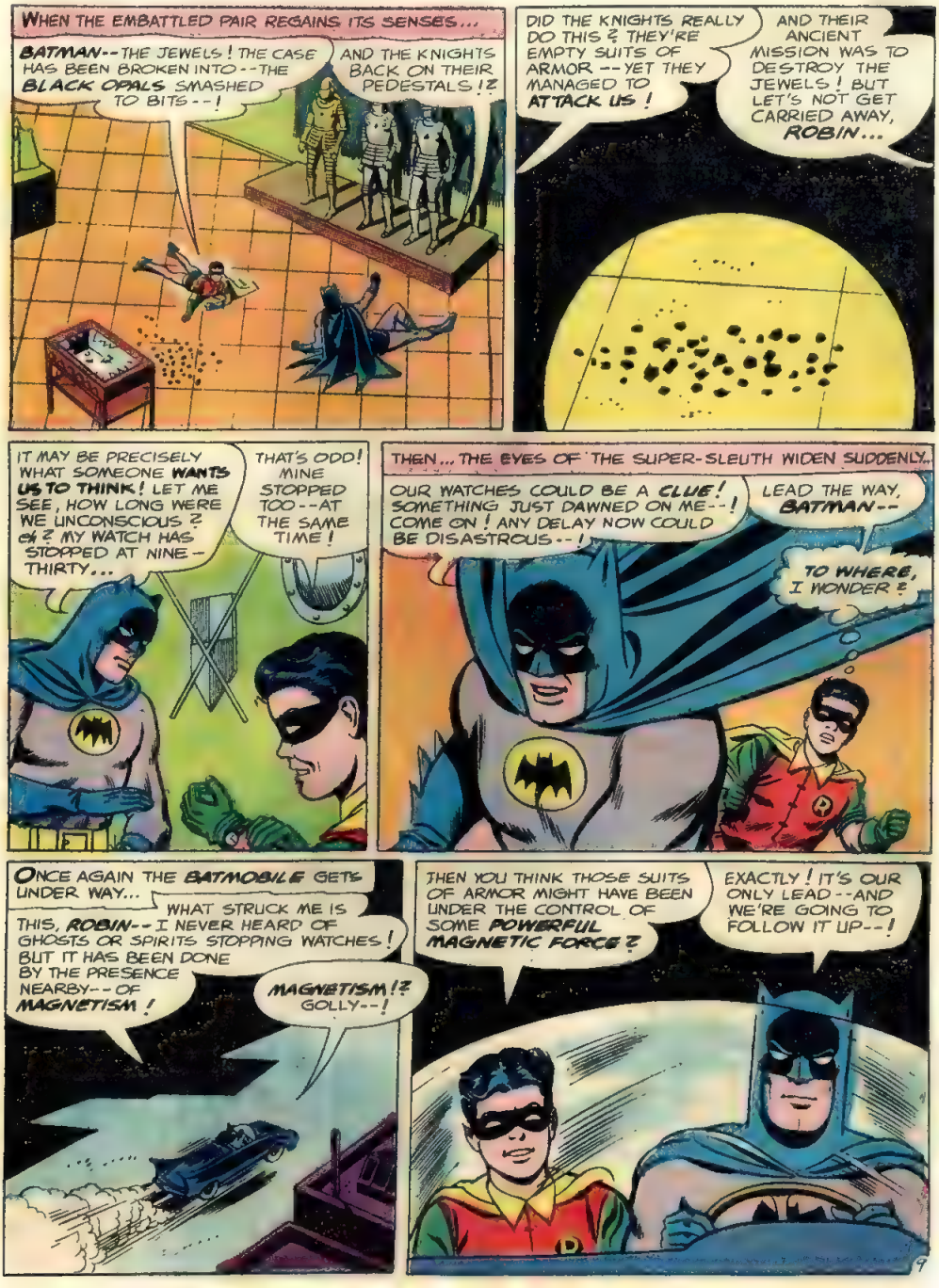
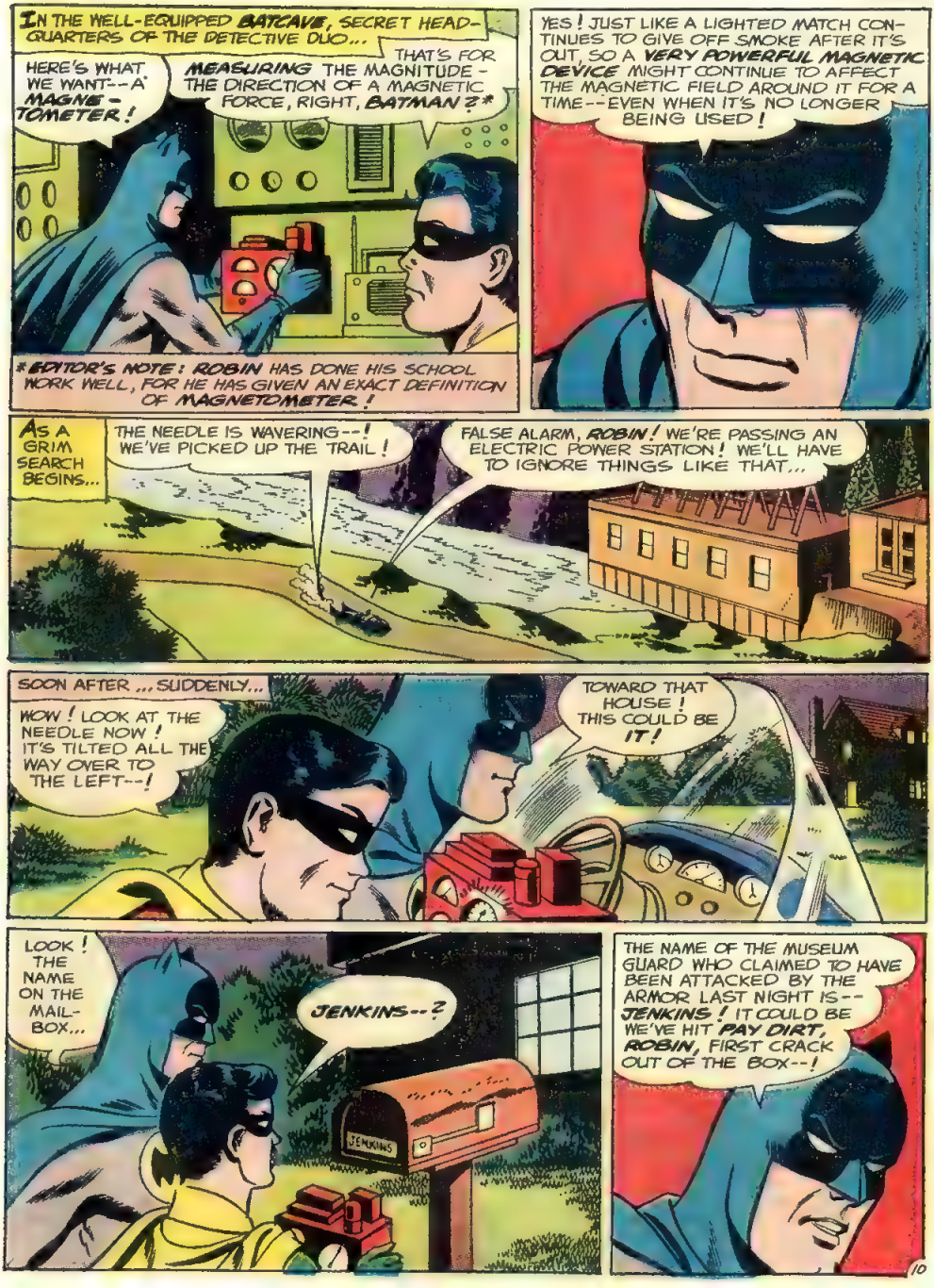
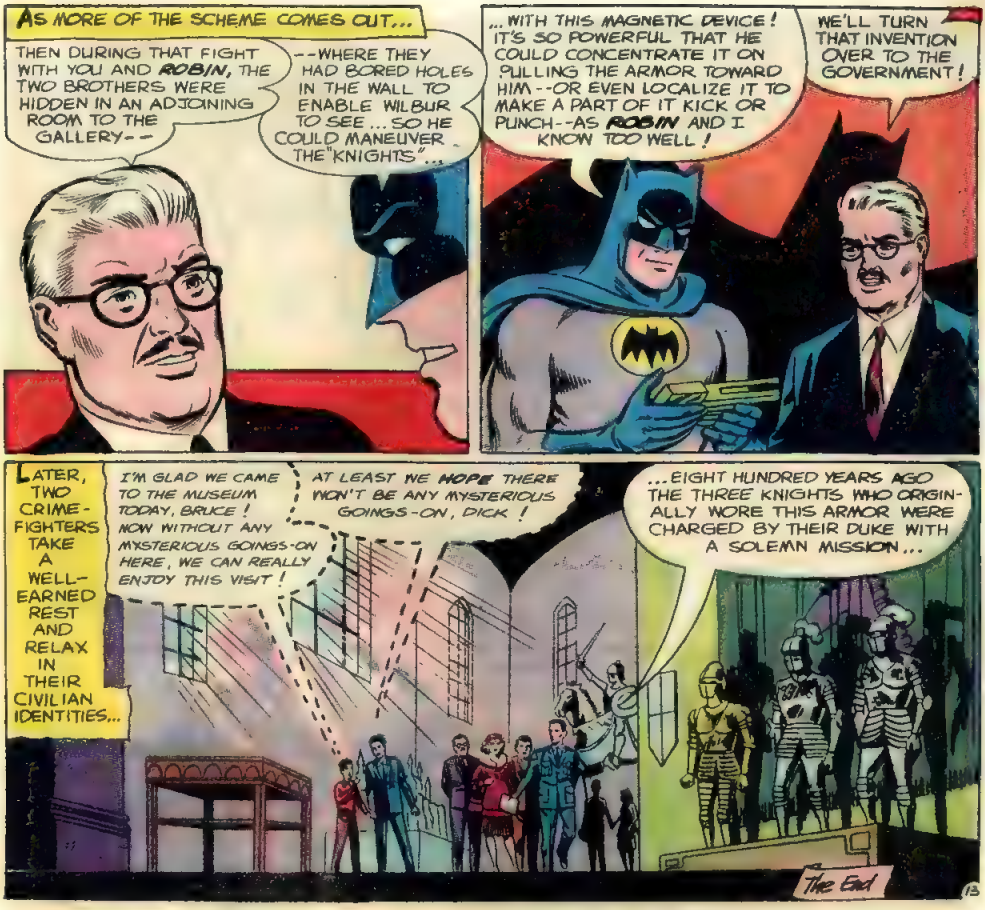

WHEN THE EMBATTLED PAIR REGAINS ITS SENSES...
BATMAN--THE JEWELS! THE CASE HAS BEEN BROKEN INTO--THE BLACK OPALS SMASHED TO BITS--!
AND THE KNIGHTS BACK ON THEIR PEDESTALS!?
DID THE KNIGHTS REALLY DO THIS? THEY'RE EMPTY SUITS OF ARMOR--YET THEY MANAGED TO ATTACK US!
AND THEIR ANCIENT MISSION WAS TO DESTROY THE JEWELS! BUT LET'S NOT GET CARRIED AWAY, ROBIN...
IT MAY BE PRECISELY WHAT SOMEONE WANTS US TO THINK! LET ME SEE, HOW LONG WERE WE UNCONSCIOUS? OH? MY WATCH HAS STOPPED AT NINE-THIRTY...
THAT'S ODD! MINE STOPPED TOO--AT THE SAME TIME!
THEN... THE EYES OF THE SUPER-SLEUTH WIDEN SUDDENLY..
OUR WATCHES COULD BE A CLUE! SOMETHING JUST DAWNED ON ME--! COME ON! ANY DELAY NOW COULD BE DISASTROUS--!
LEAD THE WAY, BATMAN--
TO WHERE, I WONDER?
ONCE AGAIN THE BATMOBILE GETS UNDER WAY...
WHAT STRUCK ME IS THIS, ROBIN--I NEVER HEARD OF GHOSTS OR SPIRITS STOPPING WATCHES! BUT IT HAS BEEN DONE BY THE PRESENCE NEARBY--OF MAGNETISM!
MAGNETISM!? GOLLY--!
THEN YOU THINK THOSE SUITS OF ARMOR MIGHT HAVE BEEN UNDER THE CONTROL OF SOME POWERFUL MAGNETIC FORCE?
EXACTLY! IT'S OUR ONLY LEAD--AND WE'RE GOING TO FOLLOW IT UP--!


IN THE WELL-EQUIPPED BATCAVE, SECRET HEADQUARTERS OF THE DETECTIVE DUO...
HERE'S WHAT WE WANT--A MAGNE-TOMETER!
THAT'S FOR MEASURING THE MAGNITUDE - THE DIRECTION OF A MAGNETIC FORCE, RIGHT, BATMAN?*
*EDITOR'S NOTE: ROBIN HAS DONE HIS SCHOOL WORK WELL, FOR HE HAS GIVEN AN EXACT DEFINITION OF MAGNETOMETER!
YES! JUST LIKE A LIGHTED MATCH CONTINUES TO GIVE OFF SMOKE AFTER IT'S OUT, SO A VERY POWERFUL MAGNETIC DEVICE MIGHT CONTINUE TO AFFECT THE MAGNETIC FIELD AROUND IT FOR A TIME--EVEN WHEN IT'S NO LONGER BEING USED!
AS A GRIM SEARCH BEGINS...
THE NEEDLE IS WAVERING--! WE'VE PICKED UP THE TRAIL!
FALSE ALARM, ROBIN! WE'RE PASSING AN ELECTRIC POWER STATION! WE'LL HAVE TO IGNORE THINGS LIKE THAT...
SOON AFTER ... SUDDENLY...
WOW! LOOK AT THE NEEDLE NOW! IT'S TILTED ALL THE WAY OVER TO THE LEFT--!
TOWARD THAT HOUSE! THIS COULD BE IT!
LOOK! THE NAME ON THE MAIL-BOX...
JENKINS--?
JENKINS
THE NAME OF THE MUSEUM GUARD WHO CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN ATTACKED BY THE ARMOR LAST NIGHT IS--JENKINS! IT COULD BE WE'VE HIT PAY DIRT, ROBIN, FIRST CRACK OUT OF THE BOX--!

AT THIS MOMENT, INSIDE THE HOUSE...
EVERYTHING HAPPENED AS I CALCULATED, THOMAS! SOON THE NEWLY RICH JENKINS BROTHERS WILL BE LIVING IT UP ON A ROUND-THE-WORLD CRUISE!
I ALWAYS SAID YOU WERE A GENIUS, WILBUR!
AND A GENIUS LEAVES NO ROOM FOR ERROR! THE CLEVER WAY I ARRANGED FOR AN OLD LEGEND TO COME TRUE--THE "KNIGHTS" DESTROYING THE "BLACK OPALS"--WITH BATMAN AND ROBIN AS WITNESSES--THERE'S NOT EVEN A SUSPICION THAT A THEFT HAS BEEN COMMITTED!
FIGURED OUT ALL THE ANGLES DIDN'T YOU--GENIUS?
BATMAN AND ROBIN!
THAT OBJECT ON THE TABLE--IT MUST BE THE MAGNETIC DEVICE THAT THE MAGNETOMETER DETECTED--!
AS THE COWLED CRUSADER SEIZES THE OBJECT, LIFTS IT...
I'LL BET PENNIES TO PEANUTS THIS IS THE INSTRUMENT THAT ACTIVATES THE SUITS OF ARMOR--!
BATMAN, WATCH IT! HE'S PULLED A GUN--!
YOU MEDDLESOME FOOLS! I SHOULD HAVE FINISHED YOU OFF--I WILL NOW!
THIS DEVICE WOULD HARDLY WORK ON THAT GUN--MADE OF STEEL...
*EDITOR'S NOTE: A MAGNETIC FORCE WORKS MOST EFFECTIVELY ON IRON!
--BUT I CAN TRIGGER IT TO WORK ON THAT WROUGHT IRON LAMPSTAND!
Z-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z
POW!

AS THE MASKED MANHUNTER EVENS A SCORE...
HAD A LOT OF FUN, DIDN'T YOU, WHILE THOSE "INVISIBLE KNIGHTS" WERE ATTACKING US! NOW YOU KNOW HOW IT FEELS TO BE ON THE RECEIVING END OF A HUMAN FIST!
THE GUARD--TRYING TO GET AWAY--!
NICE TACKLE, ROBIN--WE CAN'T AFFORD TO LET THAT MUSEUM GUARD SNEAK OFF! HE HAS PLENTY OF QUESTIONS TO ANSWER!
JUST WHAT I HAD IN MIND, BATMAN--!
THUD!
SHORTLY, UPON INVESTIGATING THE HOUSE...
A SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY DOWN HERE IN THE BASEMENT...
AND HERE ARE THE BLACK OPALS--SAFE AND SOUND...
BEFORE THE POLICE COMMISSIONER AND THE MUSEUM CURATOR, THE FULL TRUTH EMERGES...
WILBUR JENKINS IS A KIND OF GENIUS--AN EVIL GENIUS! HE PERFECTED A WAY OF BEAMING MAGNETISM--SIMILIAR TO THE WAY LIGHT IS BEAMED IN A LASER!* BUT HE DECIDED TO USE HIS INVENTION TO ENRICH HIMSELF! WHEN HIS BROTHER THOMAS, THE MUSEUM GUARD...
*EDITOR'S NOTE: LIGHT AMPLIFICATION BY STIMULATED EMISSION OF RADIATION.
...TOLD HIM ABOUT THE ARRIVAL OF THE KNIGHTS' ARMOR AND THE JEWELS AT THE MUSEUM, THE TWO BROTHERS THOUGHT OF A WAY TO USE THE LEGEND TO PULL OFF A GRAND COUP! THEY PURCHASED SEVERAL POUNDS OF OPAL FRAGMENTS SUCH AS ARE USED IN COSTUME JEWELRY...
...AND WHILE ROBIN AND I WERE UNCONSCIOUS--THEY STOLE THE REAL JEWELS AND SPRINKLED THE OPAL FRAGMENTS ON THE FLOOR--TO MAKE IT SEEM THAT THE "INVISIBLE KNIGHTS" HAD FULFILLED THEIR CENTURIES-OLD MISSION OF DESTROYING THE ORIGINAL GEMS!
A FANTASTIC PLOT--WHICH ALMOST WORKED!


AS MORE OF THE SCHEME COMES OUT...
THEN DURING THAT FIGHT WITH YOU AND ROBIN, THE TWO BROTHERS WERE HIDDEN IN AN ADJOINING ROOM TO THE GALLERY--
--WHERE THEY HAD BORED HOLES IN THE WALL TO ENABLE WILBUR TO SEE ... SO HE COULD MANEUVER THE "KNIGHTS"...
...WITH THIS MAGNETIC DEVICE! IT'S SO POWERFUL THAT HE COULD CONCENTRATE IT ON PULLING THE ARMOR TOWARD HIM--OR EVEN LOCALIZE IT TO MAKE A PART OF IT KICK OR PUNCH--AS ROBIN AND I KNOW TOO WELL!
WE'LL TURN THAT INVENTION OVER TO THE GOVERNMENT!
LATER, TWO CRIME-FIGHTERS TAKE A WELL-EARNED REST AND RELAX IN THEIR CIVILIAN IDENTITIES...
I'M GLAD WE CAME TO THE MUSEUM TODAY, BRUCE! NOW WITHOUT ANY MYSTERIOUS GOINGS-ON HERE, WE CAN REALLY ENJOY THIS VISIT!
AT LEAST WE HOPE THERE WON'T BE ANY MYSTERIOUS GOINGS-ON, DICK!
...EIGHT HUNDRED YEARS AGO THE THREE KNIGHTS WHO ORIGINALLY WORE THIS ARMOR WERE CHARGED BY THEIR DUKE WITH A SOLEMN MISSION...
The End
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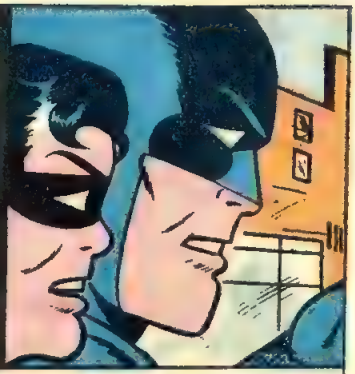

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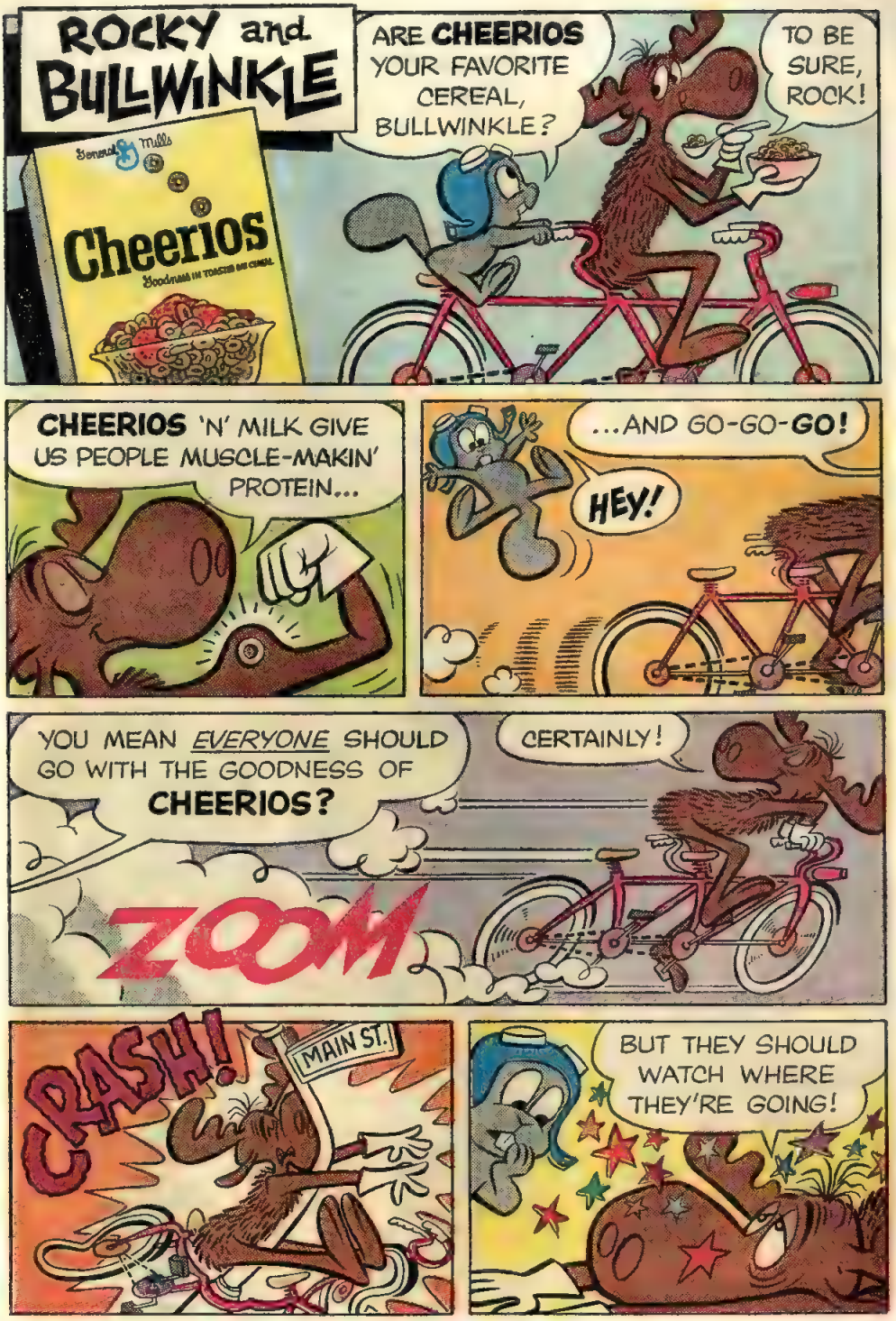
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ARE CHEERIOS YOUR FAVORITE CEREAL, BULLWINKLE?
TO BE SURE, ROCK!
CHEERIOS 'N' MILK GIVE US PEOPLE MUSCLE-MAKIN' PROTEIN...
...AND GO-GO-GO!
HEY!
YOU MEAN EVERYONE SHOULD GO WITH THE GOODNESS OF CHEERIOS?
CERTAINLY!
ZOOM
CRASH!
MAIN ST.
BUT THEY SHOULD WATCH WHERE THEY'RE GOING!

BATMAN

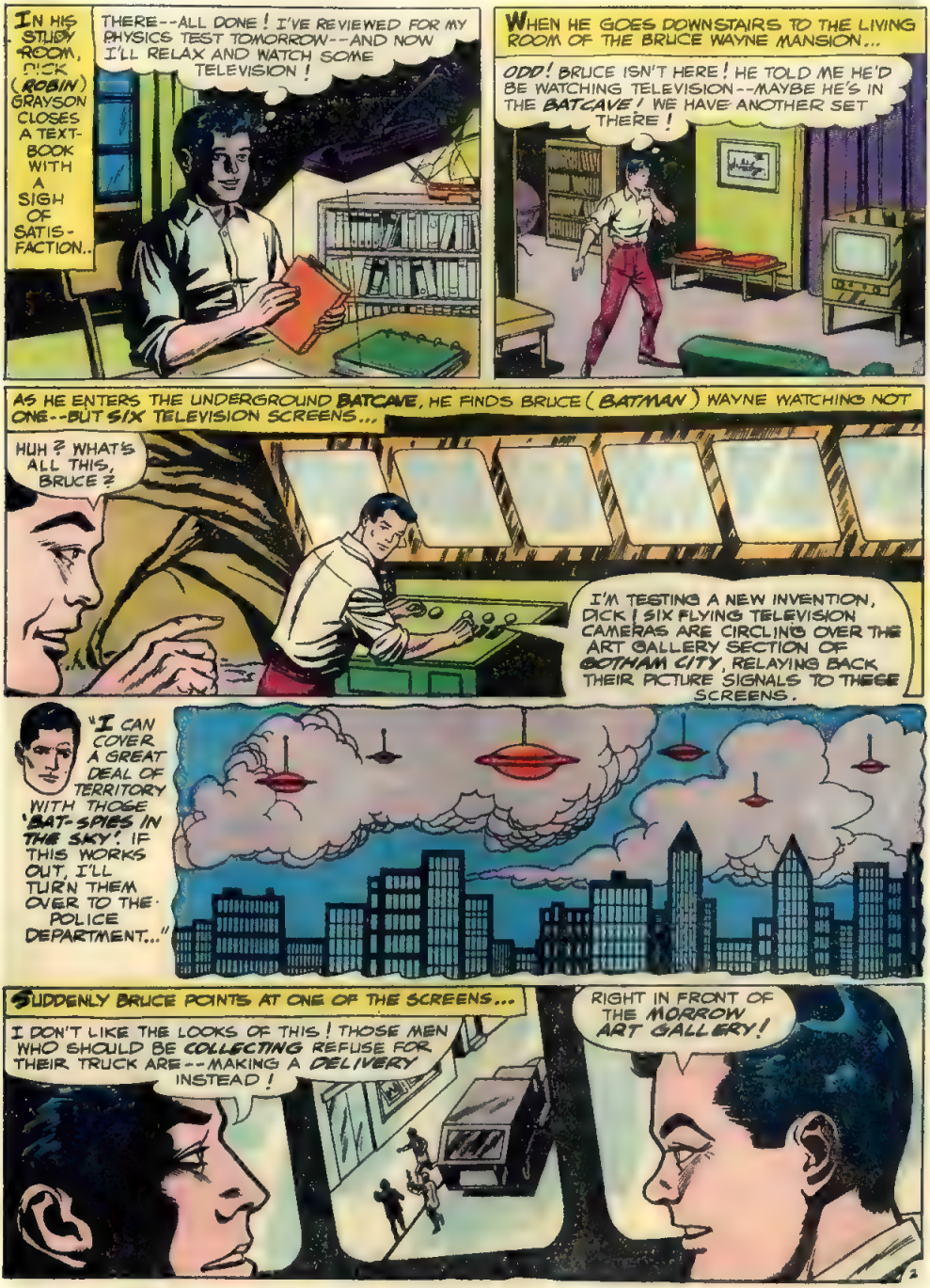
Starring ROBIN THE BOY WONDER

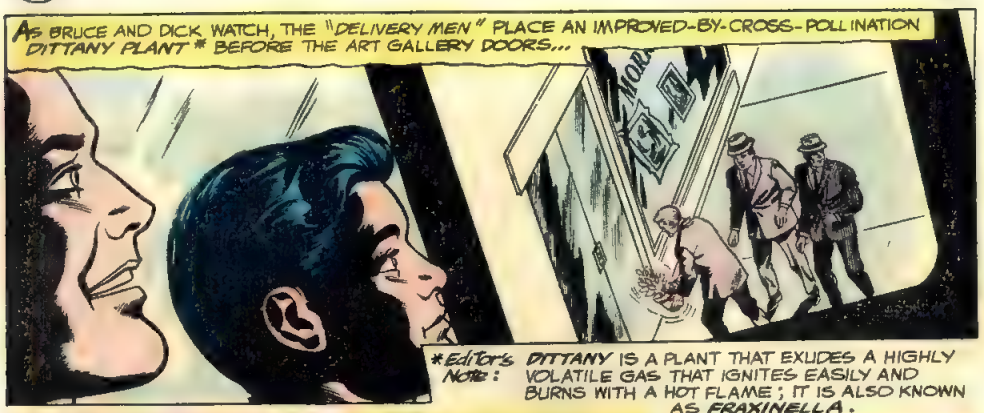
THEY WERE THE SCOURGE OF GOTHAM CITY, FOR THEY ROBBED AND FLED INTO THE NIGHT WITHOUT ANYONE ABLE TO CAPTURE THEM-- BECAUSE OF THE HELP THEY GOT FROM CERTAIN RARE AND UNUSUAL FLOWERS! ALTHOUGH BATMAN AND ROBIN STARTED OUT ON THE TRAIL OF THIS UNUSUAL GANG, ONLY THE BOY WONDER WAS AROUND AT THE FINISH FOR...

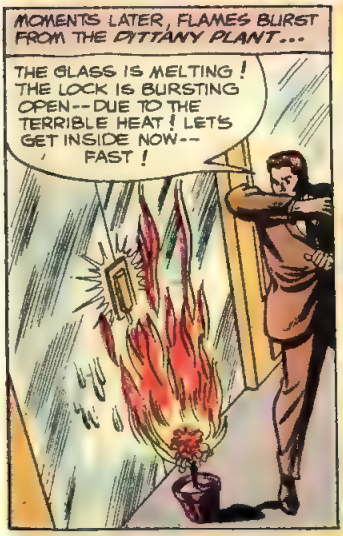
ROBIN'S UNASSISTED TRIPLE PLAY!

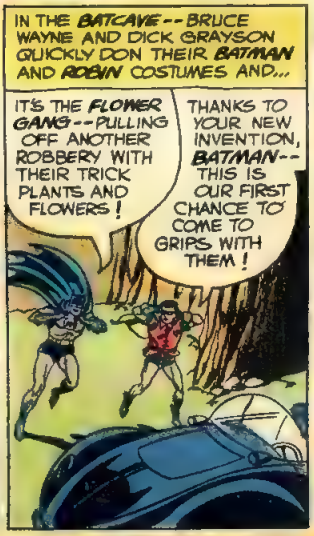
GOOD GOSH! I JUST REALIZED THAT THESE THREE CROOKS I'M FIGHTING ARE -- MIRAGES! THE REAL CROOKS HAVE MADE THEIR GETAWAY!

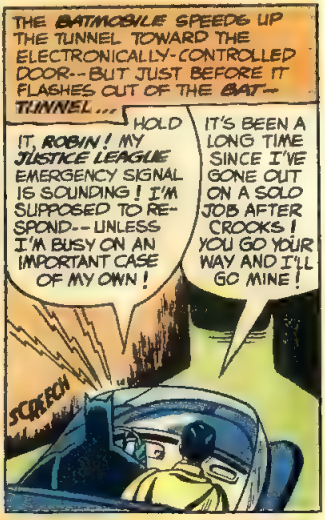
BOB KANE

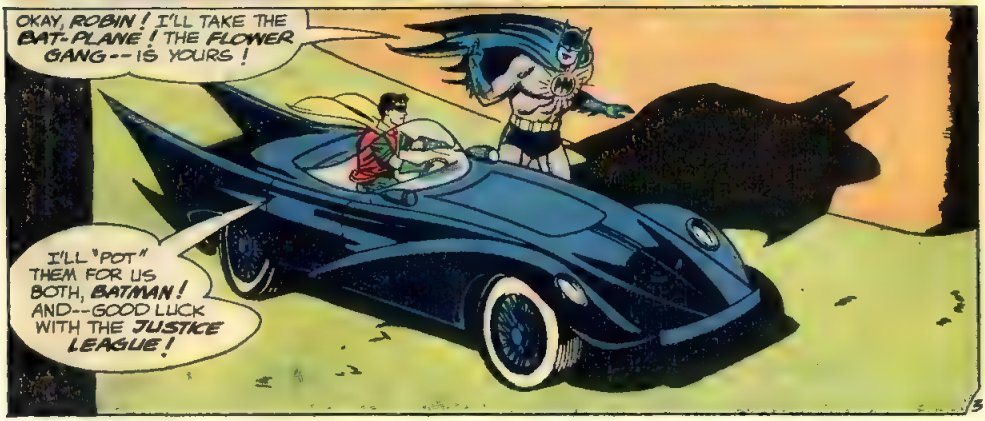

IN HIS STUDY ROOM, DICK (ROBIN) GRAYSON CLOSES A TEXT-BOOK WITH A SIGH OF SATIS-FACTION..
THERE--ALL DONE! I'VE REVIEWED FOR MY PHYSICS TEST TOMORROW--AND NOW I'LL RELAX AND WATCH SOME TELEVISION!
WHEN HE GOES DOWNSTAIRS TO THE LIVING ROOM OF THE BRUCE WAYNE MANSION...
ODD! BRUCE ISN'T HERE! HE TOLD ME HE'D BE WATCHING TELEVISION--MAYBE HE'S IN THE BATCAVE! WE HAVE ANOTHER SET THERE!
AS HE ENTERS THE UNDERGROUND BATCAVE, HE FINDS BRUCE (BATMAN) WAYNE WATCHING NOT ONE--BUT SIX TELEVISION SCREENS...
HUH? WHAT'S ALL THIS, BRUCE?
I'M TESTING A NEW INVENTION, DICK! SIX FLYING TELEVISION CAMERAS ARE CIRCLING OVER THE ART GALLERY SECTION OF GOTHAM CITY, RELAYING BACK THEIR PICTURE SIGNALS TO THESE SCREENS.
"I CAN COVER A GREAT DEAL OF TERRITORY WITH THOSE 'BAT-SPIES IN THE SKY'! IF THIS WORKS OUT, I'LL TURN THEM OVER TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT..."
SUDDENLY BRUCE POINTS AT ONE OF THE SCREENS...
I DON'T LIKE THE LOOKS OF THIS! THOSE MEN WHO SHOULD BE COLLECTING REFUSE FOR THEIR TRUCK ARE--MAKING A DELIVERY INSTEAD!
RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE MORROW ART GALLERY!


AS BRUCE AND DICK WATCH, THE "DELIVERY MEN" PLACE AN IMPROVED-BY-CROSS-POLLINATION DITTANY PLANT * BEFORE THE ART GALLERY DOORS...
*EDITOR'S NOTE: DITTANY IS A PLANT THAT EXUDES A HIGHLY VOLATILE GAS THAT IGNITES EASILY AND BURNS WITH A HOT FLAME; IT IS ALSO KNOWN AS FRAXINELLA.


MOMENTS LATER, FLAMES BURST FROM THE DITTANY PLANT...
THE GLASS IS MELTING! THE LOCK IS BURSTING OPEN--DUE TO THE TERRIBLE HEAT! LET'S GET INSIDE NOW--FAST!


IN THE BATCAVE--BRUCE WAYNE AND DICK GRAYSON QUICKLY DON THEIR BATMAN AND ROBIN COSTUMES AND...
IT'S THE FLOWER GANG--PULLING OFF ANOTHER ROBBERY WITH THEIR TRICK PLANTS AND FLOWERS!
THANKS TO YOUR NEW INVENTION, BATMAN--THIS IS OUR FIRST CHANCE TO COME TO GRIPS WITH THEM!


THE BATMOBILE SPEEDS UP THE TUNNEL TOWARD THE ELECTRONICALLY-CONTROLLED DOOR--BUT JUST BEFORE IT FLASHES OUT OF THE BAT-TUNNEL...
HOLD IT, ROBIN! MY JUSTICE LEAGUE EMERGENCY SIGNAL IS SOUNDING! I'M SUPPOSED TO RESPOND--UNLESS I'M BUSY ON AN IMPORTANT CASE OF MY OWN!
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE GONE OUT ON A SOLO JOB AFTER CROOKS! YOU GO YOUR WAY AND I'LL GO MINE!
SCREECH


OKAY, ROBIN! I'LL TAKE THE BAT-PLANE! THE FLOWER GANG--IS YOURS!
I'LL "POT" THEM FOR US BOTH, BATMAN! AND--GOOD LUCK WITH THE JUSTICE LEAGUE!

WHEN HE IS CLOSE TO THE MORROW ART GALLERY, ROBIN BRAKES THE BATMOBILE AND LEAPS FROM IT...
THEIR TRUCK IS STILL HERE! I'M IN TIME TO NAB THEM!
MORROW ART GALLERY
HE RACES THROUGH THE PARTIALLY MELTED GLASS DOORS AND INTO THE INTERIOR...
THE SCENT OF FLOWERS--THE GANG IS PROBABLY USING ANOTHER FLOWER GIMMICK TO LOOT THIS PLACE!
SUDDENLY, THE TRIO OF CROOKS HEADS FOR THE DOOR-WAY...
THIS GIGANTIC EARTH-GLOBE HID ME--LONG ENOUGH TO ALLOW ME TO TAKE THEM BY SURPRISE!
HE DROPS LIKE A STONE FROM A CATAPULT...
OOOF!
A YOUNG BUT SOLID FIST LASHES OUT...

A ROUNDHOUSE BLOW ROCKS ONE MAN INTO ANOTHER...
I SURE WISH BATMAN WERE HERE TO SEE HOW WELL I'M HANDLING THIS CASE!
RETURNING TO ACTION, THE FIRST CROOK STANDS FACE TO FACE WITH ROBIN, SLUGGING IT OUT...
HEY! THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG ABOUT ALL THIS!
IN MID-BLOW, THE TEEN-AGE THUNDERBOLT HALTS THE FORWARD PROGRESS OF HIS FIST...
HOW COME MY SHADOW IS ON THE WALL BUT--NOT HIS? THE LIGHT IS EQUALLY STRONG ON BOTH OF US!
AGAIN HIS FIST LASHES OUT--BUT NOW...
I'M FIGHTING--MIRAGES! THE REAL CROOKS HAVE MADE THEIR GETAWAY!
HIS EYE CATCHES SIGHT OF A POTTED PLANT...
OF COURSE! THE FLOWER ROBBERS USED THAT PLANT TO INDUCE ME TO SEE MIRAGES AND DREAM UP THAT WHOLE FIGHT! AS SOON AS I CAUGHT A WHIFF OF THAT SCENT WHEN I CAME IN HERE, I WAS "HOOKED"!

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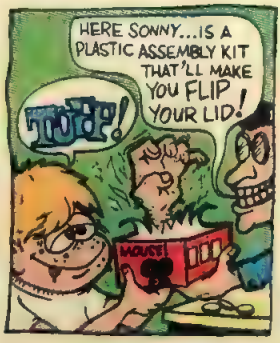
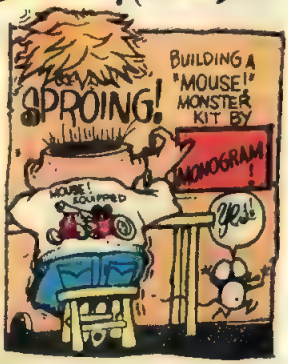
Greetings, EARTH PEOPLE! (HIP CATS & COOL CHICKS)
MY NAME IS FRED FLYPOGGER! THE GOOD GROOVER!

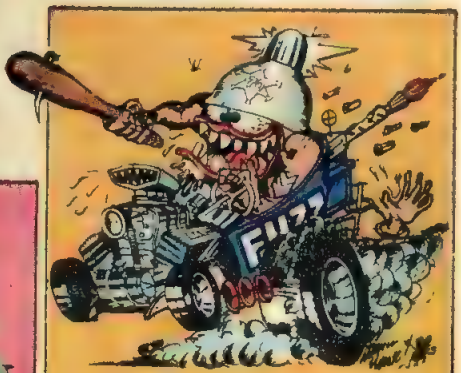
CHAUNCEY WENT TO THE HOBBY SHOP TO BUY SOMETHING THAT'S FUN TO BUILD...



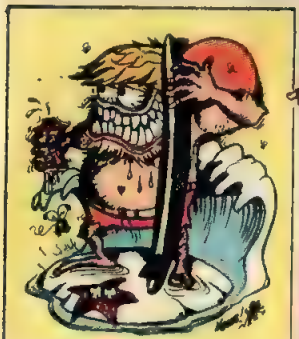
AND HE DID!



NATCH, ALL COOL CATS WILL GO FOR ONE OF THESE "HAPPY MONSTERS" LIKE CHAUNCY BUILT. LATCH ONTO ONE YOURSELF. EASY TO PUT TOGETHER AND REAL FUN AND LAUGHS FROM START TO FINISH.



AND BE SURE TO DIG "FRED" AS SUPER FUZZ!



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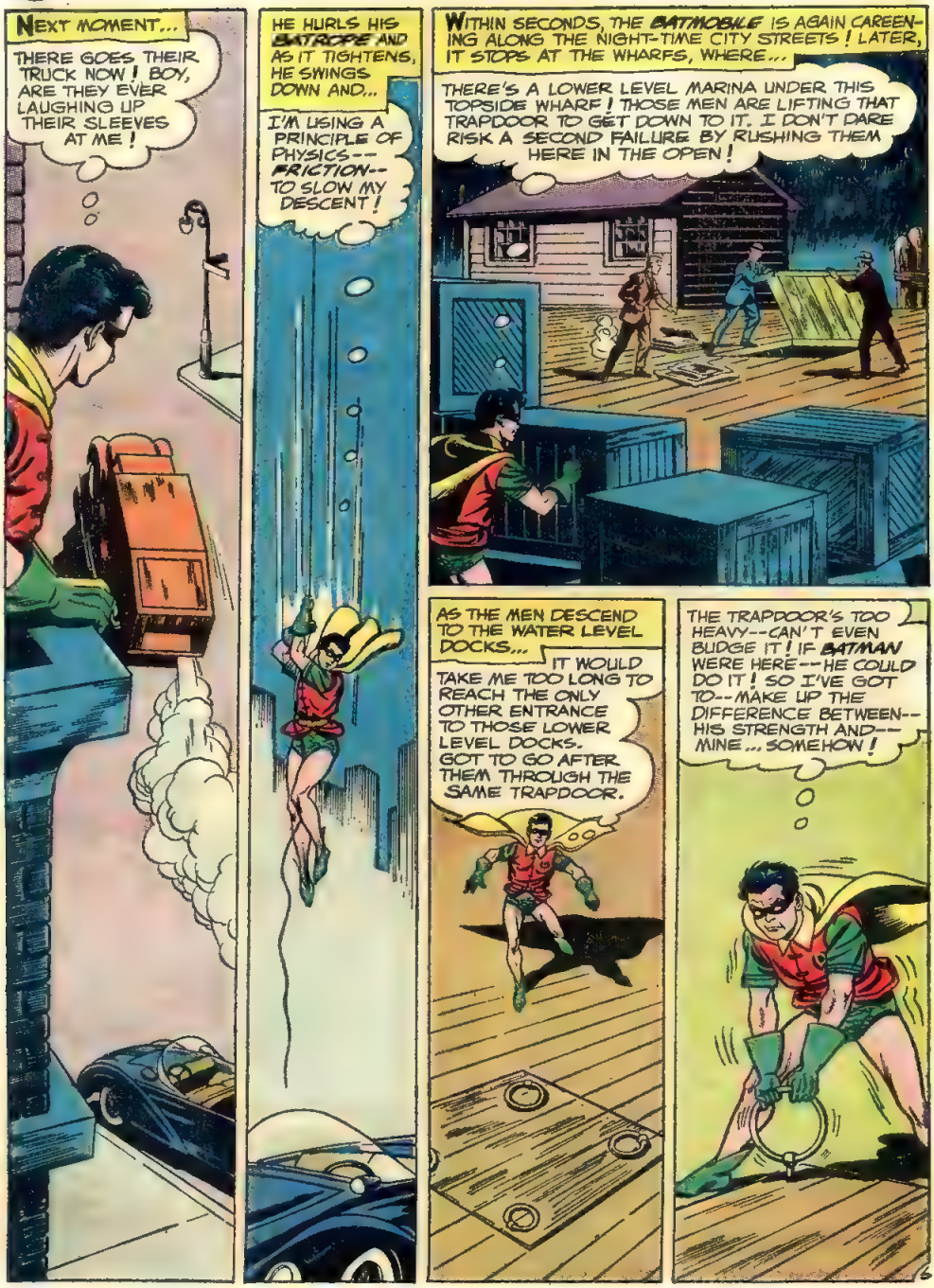
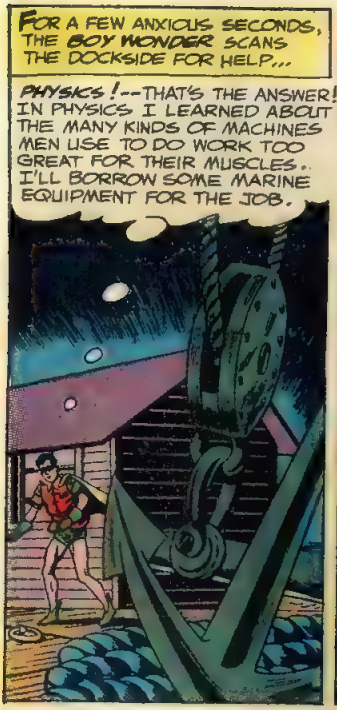
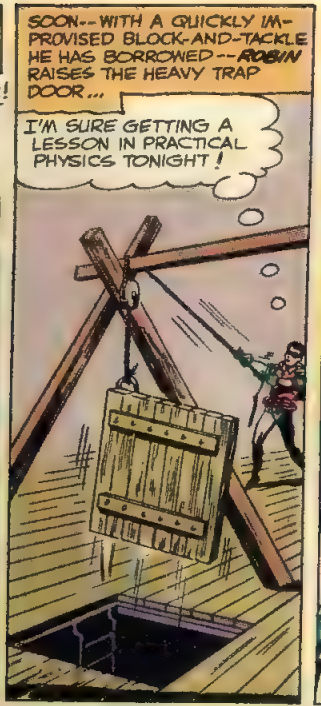
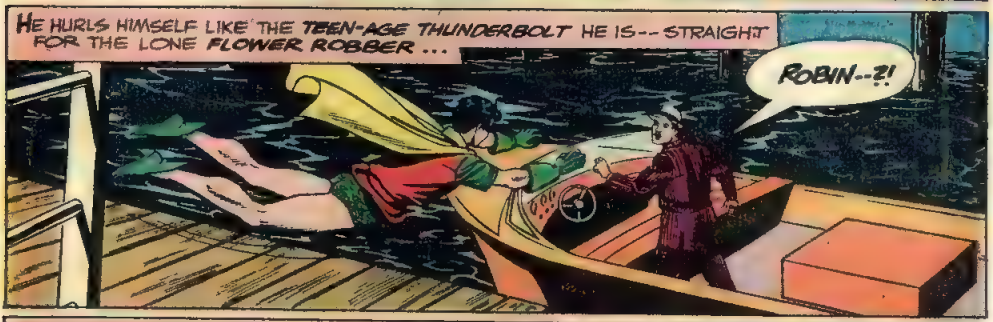
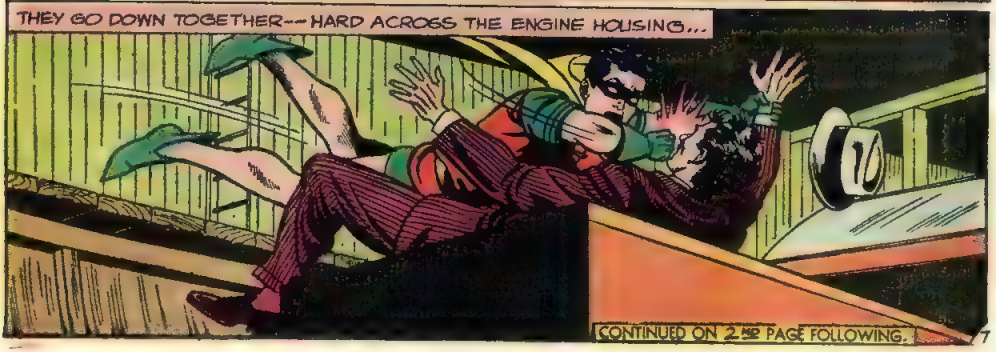

NEXT MOMENT...
THERE GOES THEIR TRUCK NOW! BOY, ARE THEY EVER LAUGHING UP THEIR SLEEVES AT ME!
HE HURLS HIS BATROPE AND AS IT TIGHTENS, HE SWINGS DOWN AND..
I'M USING A PRINCIPLE OF PHYSICS--FRICTION--TO SLOW MY DESCENT!
WITHIN SECONDS, THE BATMOBILE IS AGAIN CAREENING ALONG THE NIGHT-TIME CITY STREETS! LATER, IT STOPS AT THE WHARFS, WHERE...
THERE'S A LOWER LEVEL MARINA UNDER THIS TOPSIDE WHARF! THOSE MEN ARE LIFTING THAT TRAPDOOR TO GET DOWN TO IT. I DON'T DARE RISK A SECOND FAILURE BY RUSHING THEM HERE IN THE OPEN!
AS THE MEN DESCEND TO THE WATER LEVEL DOCKS...
IT WOULD TAKE ME TOO LONG TO REACH THE ONLY OTHER ENTRANCE TO THOSE LOWER LEVEL DOCKS. GOT TO GO AFTER THEM THROUGH THE SAME TRAPDOOR.
THE TRAPDOOR'S TOO HEAVY--CAN'T EVEN BUDGE IT! IF BATMAN WERE HERE--HE COULD DO IT! SO I'VE GOT TO--MAKE UP THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN--HIS STRENGTH AND--MINE... SOMEHOW!


FOR A FEW ANXIOUS SECONDS, THE BOY WONDER SCANS THE DOCKSIDE FOR HELP...
PHYSICS!--THAT'S THE ANSWER! IN PHYSICS I LEARNED ABOUT THE MANY KINDS OF MACHINES MEN USE TO DO WORK TOO GREAT FOR THEIR MUSCLES.. I'LL BORROW SOME MARINE EQUIPMENT FOR THE JOB.


SOON--WITH A QUICKLY IMPROVISED BLOCK-AND-TACKLE HE HAS BORROWED--ROBIN RAISES THE HEAVY TRAP DOOR...
I'M SURE GETTING A LESSON IN PRACTICAL PHYSICS TONIGHT!

NEXT INSTANT, HE IS CLIMBING DOWN THE LADDER AND...
ONE BOAT'S ALREADY PULLED AWAY, WITH THE LOOT. A SECOND ONE IS READY TO GO--BUT NOT WITHOUT ME!


HE HURLS HIMSELF LIKE THE TEEN-AGE THUNDERBOLT HE IS--STRAIGHT FOR THE LONE FLOWER ROBBER...
ROBIN--?!


THEY GO DOWN TOGETHER--HARD ACROSS THE ENGINE HOUSING...
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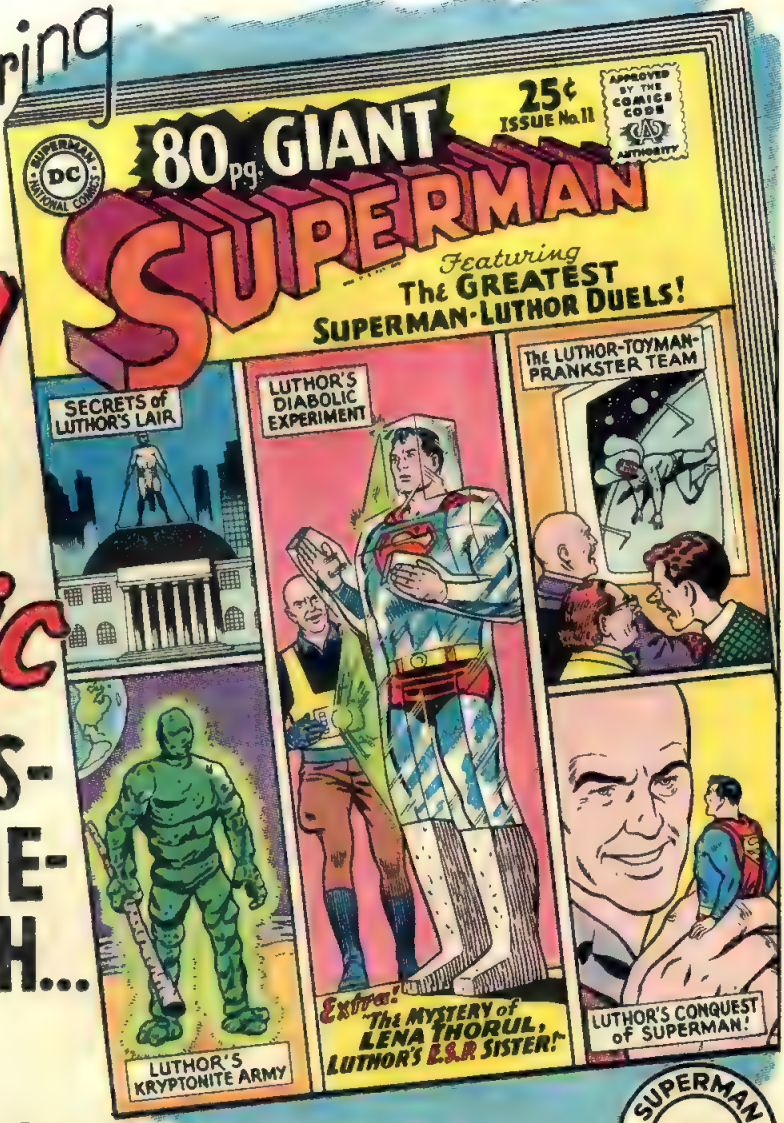

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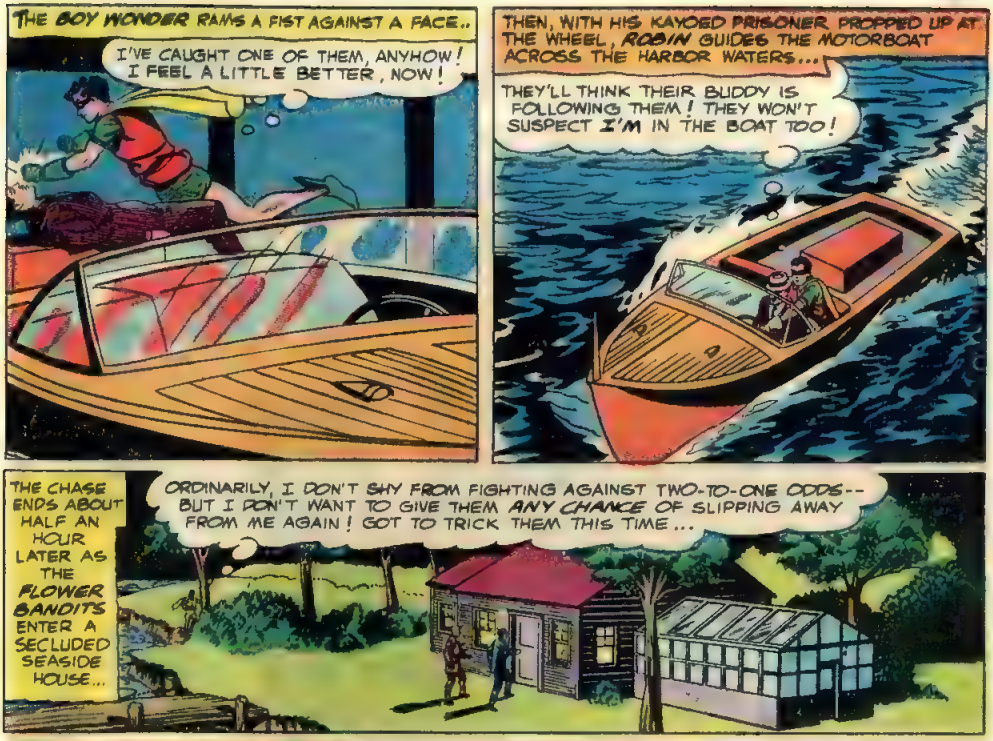
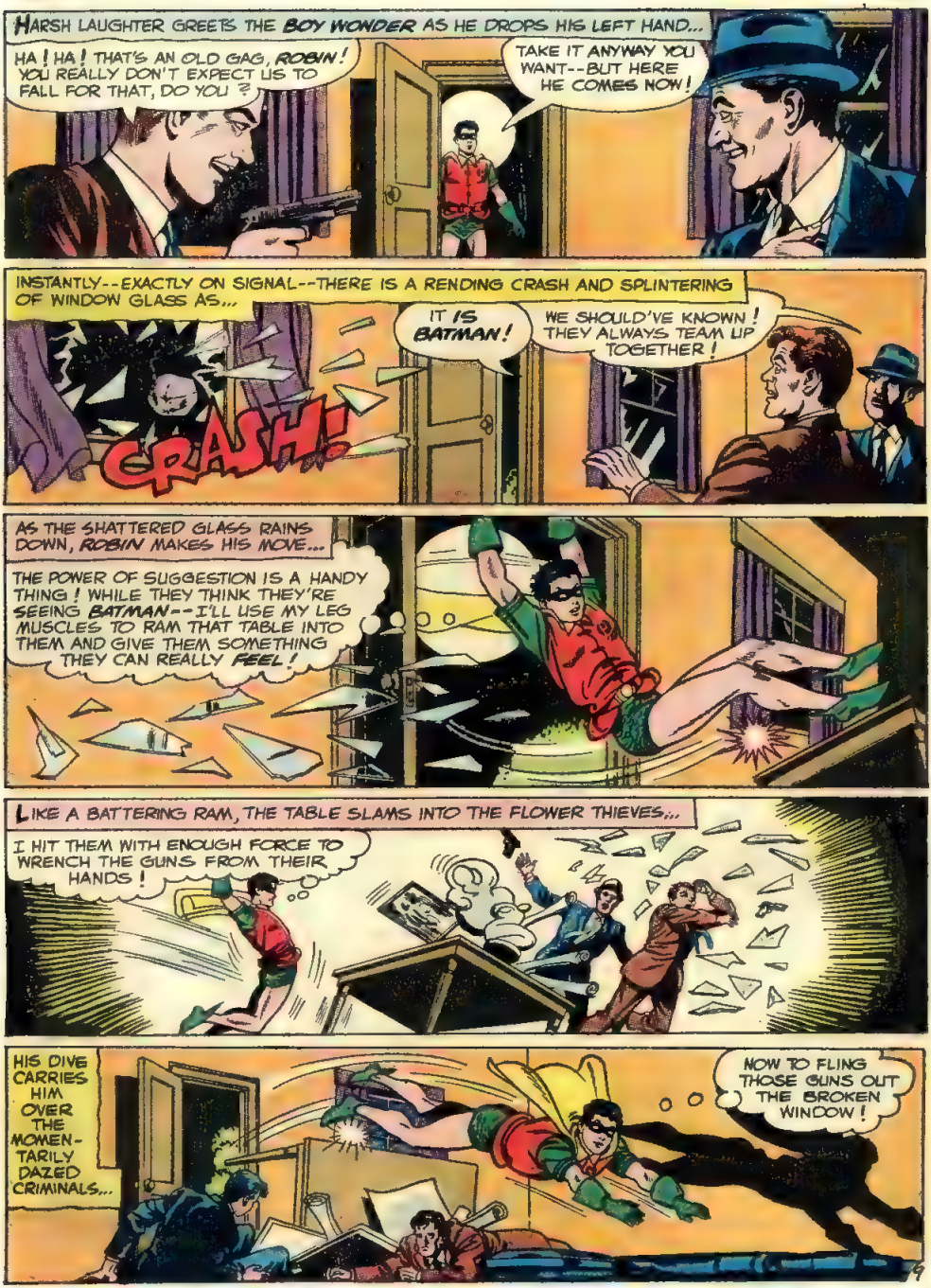
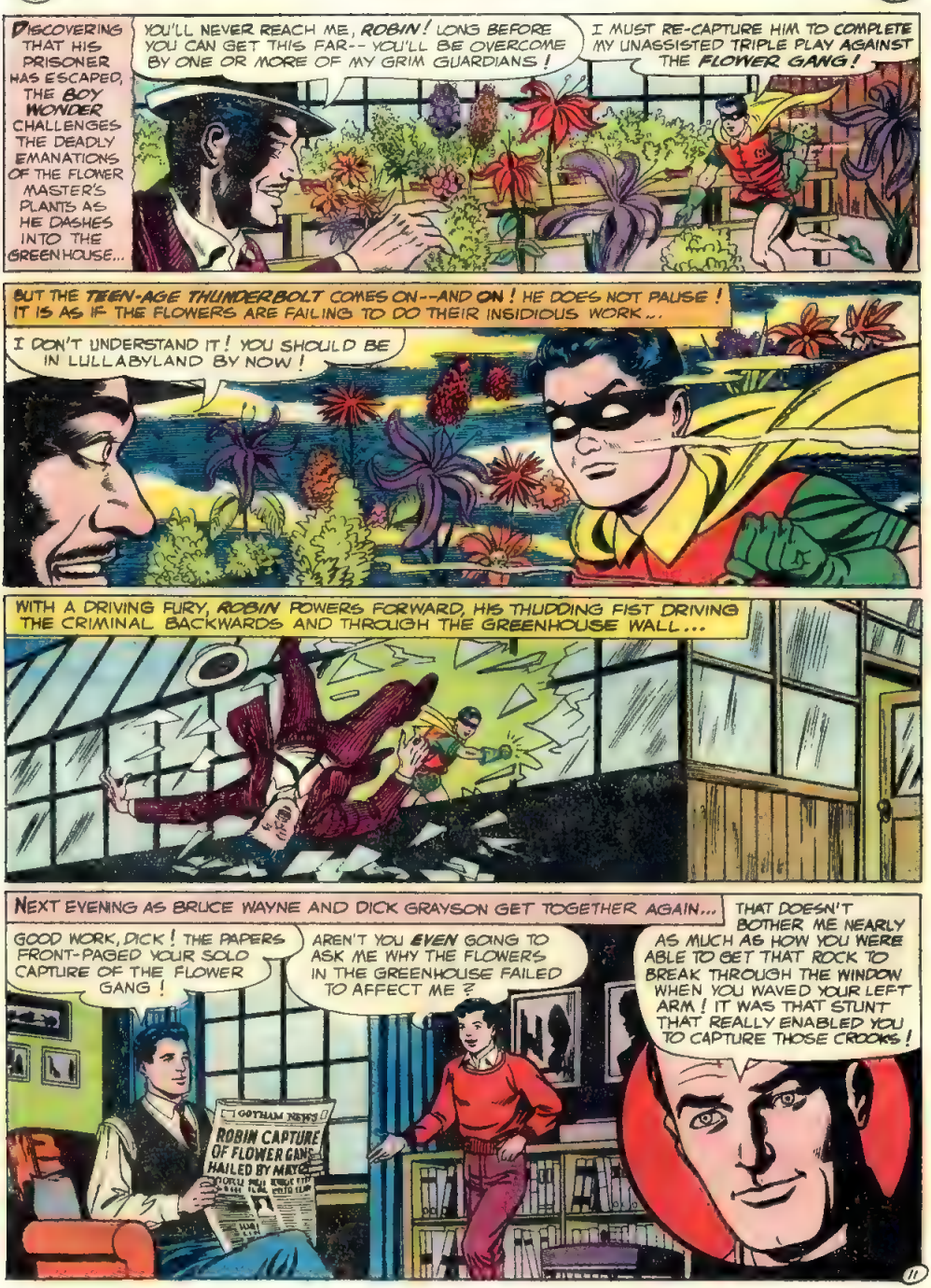

THE BOY WONDER RAMS A FIST AGAINST A FACE..
I'VE CAUGHT ONE OF THEM, ANYHOW! I FEEL A LITTLE BETTER, NOW!
THEN, WITH HIS KAYOED PRISONER PROPPED UP AT THE WHEEL, ROBIN GUIDES THE MOTORBOAT ACROSS THE HARBOR WATERS...
THEY'LL THINK THEIR BUDDY IS FOLLOWING THEM! THEY WON'T SUSPECT I'M IN THE BOAT TOO!
THE CHASE ENDS ABOUT HALF AN HOUR LATER AS THE FLOWER BANDITS ENTER A SECLUDED SEASIDE HOUSE...
ORDINARILY, I DON'T SHY FROM FIGHTING AGAINST TWO-TO-ONE ODDS-- BUT I DON'T WANT TO GIVE THEM ANY CHANCE OF SLIPPING AWAY FROM ME AGAIN! GOT TO TRICK THEM THIS TIME...
AS ROBIN QUICKLY PUTS HIS PLAN INTO OPERATION...
FIRST OFF, I'LL NEED THIS ROCK...
SHORTLY, INSIDE THEIR HIDE-OUT, AS THEY ARE DIVIDING THEIR LOOT--THE CROOKS ARE INTERRUPTED BY AN OPENING DOOR...
IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU SHOWED UP, CHARLEY! WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG?
I WAS BEGINNING TO THINK ROBIN GOT YOU!
FOR A MOMENT THERE IS A STUNNED SILENCE AS...
I DID! AND--I'M HERE TO NAB THE REST OF YOU! ALL RIGHT, BATMAN-- WHEN I LIFT MY LEFT HAND--CHARGE THEM FROM BEHIND!


HARSH LAUGHTER GREETS THE BOY WONDER AS HE DROPS HIS LEFT HAND...
HA! HA! THAT'S AN OLD GAG, ROBIN! YOU REALLY DON'T EXPECT US TO FALL FOR THAT, DO YOU?
TAKE IT ANYWAY YOU WANT--BUT HERE HE COMES NOW!
INSTANTLY--EXACTLY ON SIGNAL--THERE IS A RENDING CRASH AND SPLINTERING OF WINDOW GLASS AS...
CRASH!
IT IS BATMAN!
WE SHOULD'VE KNOWN! THEY ALWAYS TEAM UP TOGETHER!
AS THE SHATTERED GLASS RAINS DOWN, ROBIN MAKES HIS MOVE...
THE POWER OF SUGGESTION IS A HANDY THING! WHILE THEY THINK THEY'RE SEEING BATMAN--I'LL USE MY LEG MUSCLES TO RAM THAT TABLE INTO THEM AND GIVE THEM SOMETHING THEY CAN REALLY FEEL!
LIKE A BATTERING RAM, THE TABLE SLAMS INTO THE FLOWER THIEVES...
I HIT THEM WITH ENOUGH FORCE TO WRENCH THE GUNS FROM THEIR HANDS!
HIS DIVE CARRIES HIM OVER THE MOMENTARILY DAZED CRIMINALS...
NOW TO FLING THOSE GUNS OUT THE BROKEN WINDOW!

THEN, ROBIN'S CLENCHED FIST LASHES OUT AT HIS FIRST UNARMED FOE...
I'VE RESERVED A RIGHT SOCK FOR YOU...
...AND WHAT'S LEFT IS YOURS!
ROBIN DOES NOT REALIZE THAT THE MAN HE LEFT PRISONER IN THE MOTORBOAT HAS FREED HIMSELF AND IS NOW PEERING IN A WINDOW...
Whew! THAT ROBIN SURE IS A TOUGH CUSTOMER--BUT I'LL BE ABLE TO HANDLE HIM WHEN I GET HIM ONTO MY OWN SPECIAL FIGHTING GROUNDS!
UNOBSERVED, THE CROOK-AT-LARGE RACES INTO A NEARBY GREENHOUSE...
WHEN ROBIN FOLLOWS ME IN HERE--HE'LL DOOM HIMSELF! THERE ARE FLOWERS IN HERE TO WHICH I AM IMMUNE--THAT WILL QUICKLY RENDER HIM HELPLESS!
THE PERFUMES AND MISTS GIVEN OFF BY THESE SPECIALLY CULTIVATED GROWTHS WILL FIRST NUMB HIS MUSCLES SO HE WON'T BE ABLE TO FIGHT--THEN DULL HIS MIND--AND FINALLY PUT HIM TO SLEEP--A LONG, LONG SLEEP!


DISCOVERING THAT HIS PRISONER HAS ESCAPED, THE BOY WONDER CHALLENGES THE DEADLY EMANATIONS OF THE FLOWER MASTER'S PLANTS AS HE DASHES INTO THE GREENHOUSE...
YOU'LL NEVER REACH ME, ROBIN! LONG BEFORE YOU CAN GET THIS FAR-- YOU'LL BE OVERCOME BY ONE OR MORE OF MY GRIM GUARDIANS!
I MUST RE-CAPTURE HIM TO COMPLETE MY UNASSISTED TRIPLE PLAY AGAINST THE FLOWER GANG!
BUT THE TEEN-AGE THUNDERBOLT COMES ON--AND ON! HE DOES NOT PAUSE! IT IS AS IF THE FLOWERS ARE FAILING TO DO THEIR INSIDIOUS WORK...
I DON'T UNDERSTAND IT! YOU SHOULD BE IN LULLABYLAND BY NOW!
WITH A DRIVING FURY, ROBIN POWERS FORWARD, HIS THUDDING FIST DRIVING THE CRIMINAL BACKWARDS AND THROUGH THE GREENHOUSE WALL...
NEXT EVENING AS BRUCE WAYNE AND DICK GRAYSON GET TOGETHER AGAIN...
GOOD WORK, DICK! THE PAPERS FRONT-PAGED YOUR SOLO CAPTURE OF THE FLOWER GANG!
AREN'T YOU EVEN GOING TO ASK ME WHY THE FLOWERS IN THE GREENHOUSE FAILED TO AFFECT ME?
THAT DOESN'T BOTHER ME NEARLY AS MUCH AS HOW YOU WERE ABLE TO GET THAT ROCK TO BREAK THROUGH THE WINDOW WHEN YOU WAVED YOUR LEFT ARM! IT WAS THAT STUNT THAT REALLY ENABLED YOU TO CAPTURE THOSE CROOKS!
GOTHAM NEWS
ROBIN CAPTURE OF FLOWER GANG HAILED BY MAYOR

I TIED THE BAT-ROPE ABOUT THE ROCK AFTER SUSPENDING THE ROPE FROM A ROOF, THEN I TIED THE ROPE THAT HELD THE ROCK WITH A LOOP AND A SLIPKNOT AROUND A TREE-TRUNK! I HELD A ROPE FROM THAT KNOT IN MY RIGHT HAND!

"AS MY LEFT ARM WENT DOWN TO 'SIGNAL'... I SECRETLY TUGGED AT THE STRING THAT UNDID THE SLIPKNOT--SO THE ROCK'S WEIGHT WOULD FREE IT AND SEND IT PLUNGING TOWARD THE WINDOW..."

A CLEVER TRICK, DICK! AND AS TO WHY THE FLOWERS DIDN'T AFFECT YOU... I DEDUCED, JUST AS YOU DID, THAT THE SCENT OF THOSE FLOWERS IN THE ART GALLERY CAUSED YOU TO SEE THOSE MIRAGES! SO ALL YOU HAD TO DO TO PROTECT YOURSELF IN THE GREENHOUSE WAS--NOT TO BREATHE!

I ALMOST DIDN'T BREATHE DURING THAT PHYSICS TEST TODAY, IT WAS SO TOUGH! BUT--I'M SURE I PASSED WITH FLYING COLORS!

THE END

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LETTERS TO THE BATCAVE

Dear Editor: *Whew!* That's a relief! When this *new look* in *Batman* started, I was afraid that you might eliminate costumed criminals entirely. When I saw "Partners in Plunder" in the February *Batman* I was overjoyed. I think the *Penguin* is one of your best villains. Although some readers might regard the *Penguin's* garb as merely a tux with trimmings, I consider it a magnificent piece of costumed art.

Now that I have told you how I feel toward costumed criminals, I'd like to reverse my thoughts. I have never read a story in which Bruce Wayne and Dick Grayson solved a case without their *Batman* and *Robin* uniforms. Why not have one? I'm sure your readers would enjoy such a yarn. —Jim Key, Indianapolis, Ind.

(Costumed villains will always play an essential role in *Batmanuscripts*. Coming up in the July *Detective Comics* is "The Joker's Comedy Capers"—in which the *Clown Prince of Crime* indulges in the most sensational slapstick shenanigans you've ever seen! —*Editor*)

Dear Editor: May I take this opportunity to congratulate you on the fine story, "Partners in Plunder"? I was under the impression that the *Penguin* was being poorly handled as a "revival" from the early "golden" age of comics. But this issue dispelled all thoughts of that. Imagine! *Batman* actually (and unwittingly) planned and blueprinted the *Penguin's* own crime! I chuckle every time I think that *Batman* will be worrying over that monocle-switch for nothing! The best part of the whole story, I suppose, was that the *Masked Manhunter* never realized he was responsible for the *Penguin's* crime! I guess that's about the only "crime" *Batman* has ever committed! —Frank Tower, Eustace, Tex.

Dear Editor: The second story in *Batman* 169—"A Bad Day for Batman"—will doubtlessly bring many an excited letter of praise for "the second great revelation in Bob Kane's artwork since the editorial changeover." The cause for the first revelation, although most readers don't seem to realize it, was the inking of Joe Giella, not Kane. And so it is with this "second revelation," although this time the credit goes to inker Sid Greene. Mr. Greene's use of more exaggerated muscles and a good deal of more shading has once again made Batman a "creature of the night"—just the way he was back in 1940. —P. D. Thompson, Carpentersville, Ill.

Dear Editor: Ever since the creation of *Batman, Robin* has constantly been playing second-fiddle to *Batman*. Now, to the joy of *Robin* fans, he is starting to do more with the advent of the *new look*. Now, what *Robin* really needs is an adventure in which he operates completely alone, using his own powers of deduction, his own skill and ingenuity. Please give *Robin* a chance to go solo! —Joseph Hartlaub, Akron, Ohio

(You li'l ol' mind-reader you! You must have tuned in our thoughts while we were working up this issue's "Robin's Unassisted Triple Play!" —*Editor*)

Dear Editor: This concerns December's LETTERS TO THE BATCAVE in which you inform a reader that the official chemical symbol of *Argon* is *A*. You had better find yourself a newer table of elements to refer to! The symbol *Ar* was adopted officially in 1957 by the Commission on Inorganic Nomenclature of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry. —A reader, Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N.C.

(*Ar*-right! *Ar* it is with no further *argon*ment. —*Editor*)

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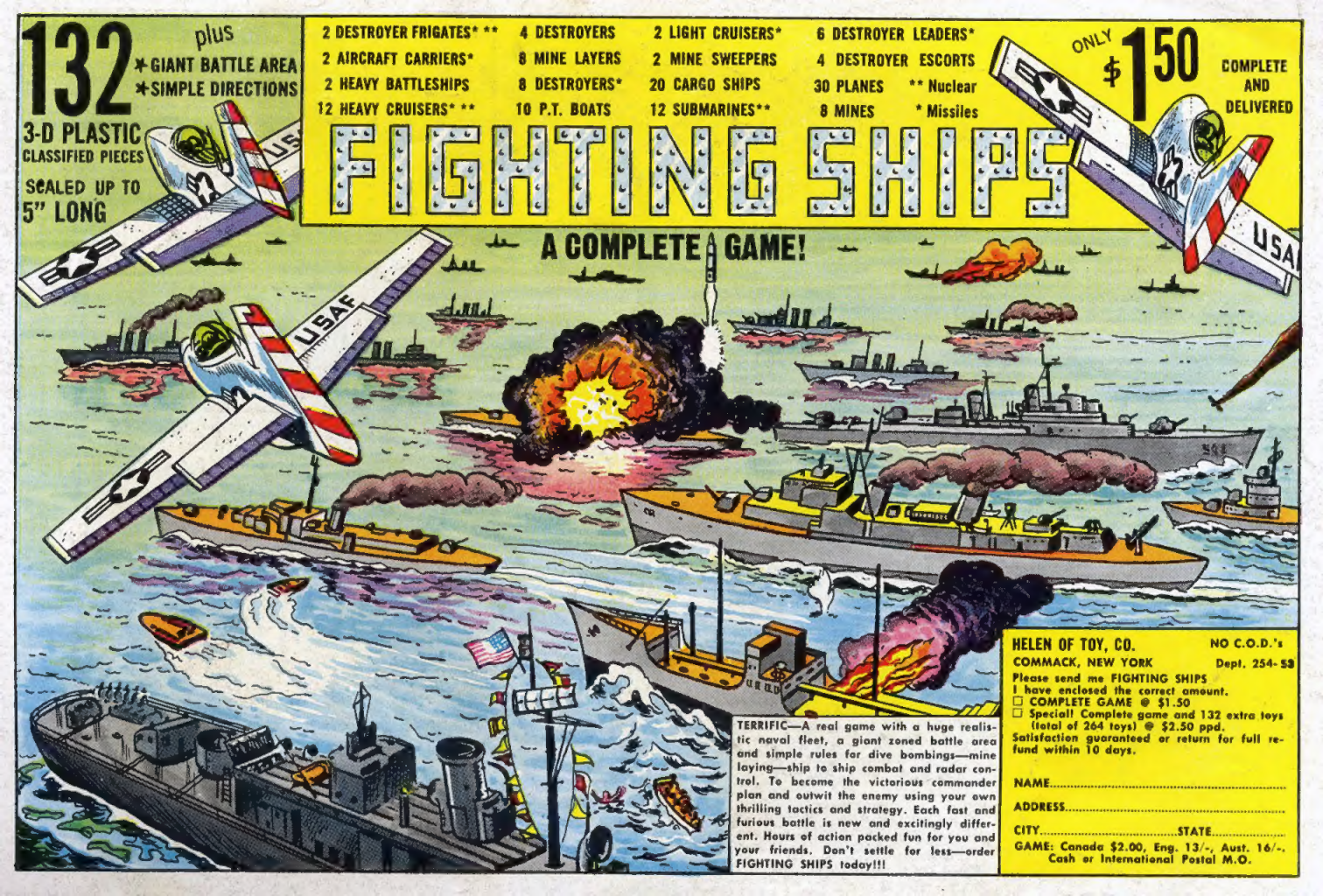
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